## House Resolution No.

Whereas, Gary B. Kaufman has attained distinction as Superintendent of the Golden City R-III School District, an important endeavor which he accepted twenty-four years ago and which he will draw to a close at the end of the 2002-2003 school year with well-deserved retirement; and

Whereas, prior to taking on the diverse duties and responsibilities of the Superintendent's office, Gary Kaufman served three years as an industrial arts teacher and a junior high school football and basketball coach and then seven years as the high school principal; and

Whereas, educator Gary Kaufman never lost his love for the wheat fields of his native Kansas, and he continued to spend summers doing custom harvesting until 1991 when his father's death brought an end to the family business and a strong father-son relationship; and

Whereas, to gain the knowledge and skills needed for teaching, Gary Kaufman completed a Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree in industrial arts at Pittsburg State University in Kansas which were followed by a second Master's degree and a Specialist certificate earned through summer classes and night school in order to expand his abilities and credentials as an administrator; and

Whereas, supported and encouraged in all of his endeavors by his beloved wife, Carol, and their two loving children, Kristen and Justin, Gary Kaufman also operates an eighty-acre farm in Jerico Springs where he has thirty registered Angus cattle and his wife raises quarter horses; and

Whereas, Superintendent Gary Kaufman will retire in June from the Golden City R-III School District which is in much better financial and technological shape now than it was when he began his long tenure there and which he will continue to assist in the upcoming year as a valued consultant; and

**Whereas**, in his last year as the top administrator at Golden City R-III schools, Gary Kaufman will receive Missouri District Administrator of the Year for 2003 recognition from the Missouri Association for Rural Education at its February 22, 2003, convention at Lake of the Ozarks:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and career achievements attained by Gary Kaufman during his thirty-four years with the Golden City R-III School District and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Superintendent Gary B. Kaufman, as an expression of our respect and esteem for him and his highly successful educational career.

Offered by
Representative Ed Emery
District No. 126
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and
correct copy of House Resolution No, adopted
, 2003.